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Subject: Complaint of EPA staff non-responsiveness/ Arkwood Inc. Partial Deletion/ Fwd: formal request
Date: 03/22/2012 11:54 AM
Attachments: [20111123ReqPartDel.pdf](#)

Mr. Faultry,

As you know, I am disappointed that promises made to me by Mr. Sanchez have not been kept and that he has not been responsive to my formal communications.

Years ago I gave up attempting to work directly with Arkwood Remedial Project Manager Shawn Ghose due to his chronic unresponsiveness to my communications and his lack of diligence.

I just spoke with Ryan Benefield, Deputy Director at Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality. Mr. Benefield, who is familiar with the Arkwood site, said he has heard nothing about "partial deletion" for Arkwood from the EPA since the idea first came up some four years ago (and went nowhere).

This is contrary to the promise made to me by Mr. Sanchez below on November 25, 2011.

Has Mr. Sanchez written to ADEQ requesting their concurrence that the Arkwood Inc. Superfund site (EPA ID: ARD084930148 Site ID: 0600124) be submitted for partial deletion from the National Priorities List?

If Mr. Sanchez has written that letter to ADEQ, could I please receive a copy of that letter?

The Arkwood landowner and surrounding community have already lost years of use of the property, when it arguably should have been deleted and returned to industrial reuse long ago, if the RPM Mr. Ghose had performed his duties and responsibilities with diligence.

Please request that Mr. Sanchez work more diligently on this matter and that he respond timely to all my communications and to those of other stakeholders at the Arkwood site.

Please request that Shawn Ghose, Remedial Project Manager for Arkwood, be replaced with a different RPM for Arkwood.

Please review the Arkwood site management history to determine if the installation of the onsite injection operations by McKesson at Arkwood was properly approved by EPA through the concurrence process.

The scientific data prove that the installation and operation of the onsite injection operations caused a release of contaminant and hindered the existing EPA-approved groundwater remedy.

No study has been performed to assess the possible damage of McKesson's ongoing injection of water onsite at high pressure, underground, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year for many years, continuing indefinitely.

If McKesson's injection operations cause a sinkhole or other ill effect, the Arkwood land will have been further damaged.

If EPA did not approve through full concurrence the "injection wells" and injection operations that McKesson installed on the Arkwood site, I ask that EPA order McKesson to cease injection operations on the site, to remove that injection apparatus from the site and to repair the damage it has inflicted on the Arkwood land.

Once the injection apparatus has been removed with EPA approval, and the damage its installation and operation caused to the Arkwood land has been repaired by McKesson, I ask that EPA submit Arkwood for full, not partial, deletion from the NPL.

Thank you,

Curt Grisham

Begin forwarded message:

From: Sanchez.Carlos@epamail.epa.gov

Date: November 25, 2011 7:38:56 AM PST

To: "grish.org" <curt@grish.org>

Cc: Williams.Donald@epamail.epa.gov, Ghose.Shawn@epamail.epa.gov

Subject: Re: formal request

Curt,

This letter is all we need to start the process to partially delete the Arkwood site from the National Priorities List (Superfund). We will keep you inform and provide update as the process moves forward. The first step involves EPA sending a letter to ADEQ requesting their approval to delete the site. CAS

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Date: 11/23/2011 03:37 PM
Subject: formal request

Hi Carlos,

Here's a scan of the letter I'm putting in the mail to you today.

Please let me know if this letter is not complete for the purpose or if you need anything else to get the ball rolling.

If you wouldn't mind, please acknowledge receipt of the formal letter once you have received it via USPS.

Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving.

Curt